

**PATENT**  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Richard Cawthon

Serial No. 10/543,111

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For: *Methods of Predicting Mortality Risk  
by Determining Telomere Length*

Examiner: To Be Assigned

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**PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

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It is hereby requested that the time to submit a response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed December 9, 2005, be extended by one month to March 9, 2006. A check for the required amount of \$60.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a) is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extension of time or additional claims, and/or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Order No. 469322-55; Docket No. A-71933). Please direct any calls in connection with this application to the undersigned at (415) 781-1989.

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